



*San Francisco Archers Inc.*

**ARROW**



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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings everyone. It is July 14 and the summer seems to be flying by very quickly. There has been much activity around the archery range and I guess keeping busy makes the time seem to pass faster.

Our Wednesday Night Shoots started on May 16 and, although they started off slowly, they seem to be picking up more and more shooters as the weeks progress. On July 11, we had between 30 and 40 shooters and a good time was had by all. More and more children are appearing at the range on Wednesdays with parents and I take this as a very healthy sign for the club. We held the third 3D Club Shoot on July 8, and approximately 35 people were in attendance. Thirty-five does not seem like many people for a shoot but when you consider that last year most Club Shoots had no participants, it does not seem too bad. We are going to have to make a decision about whether to continue the 3D Club Shoots or not so if you have any opinions on the subject please let a club officer or board member know. The last 3D Club Shoot will be held on Sunday, September 9.

On June 17, Briones Archers held a successful shoot in Briones Park in the East Bay. The shoot was well attended and Briones considered it very successful. I was very gratified to hear this because this is the date we gave Briones when their shoots were in trouble and now things appear to have worked themselves out. There were quite a few S.F. Archers in attendance and they brought back more than just a few trophies. If I remember correctly, Bea Gambony took a first place and John Flynn brought back a hardly ever seen and much coveted fourth place pink ribbon. Unfortunately, I didn't record who all the other winners were. Humboldt Archers held their annual Sea Hunt Shoot on June 29-30 and 16 S. F. Archers made the trek to Eureka to participate. The weather was warm and the redwood forests were beautiful. If you have never attended this shoot, you should consider it for next year. Besides having a successful archery experience, the participants had a great time in the evenings playing cards and board games in the dining room of the motel. We had to call it quits at 10 PM for fear our shrieks of laughter would awaken other guests. The trophy winners were: Megan and Kimber Lew, Tim and Amber and Harley Hamack, Matt Farley, Jennifer Robison, and Nancy and I.

Recent work parties have been well attended and much work is being done around the range. There is still much to do, however, as we have the B. C. Shoot coming on August 4-5 and a range inspection sometime in the near future. On June 9, Jim Camozzi and Bill Dahl arrived with their ATVs and along with John Talamantez, Jim Robison, Lowell Brown, Harri Jalovaara, and many others, did a great job on rebaling and cleaning up the Red Range. If you have not shot the Red Range recently, you should. Jon Campo and a group of workers intent on removing non-

native species from the range were also in attendance at this work party and removed a truck load of French (Scotch?) Broom.

The B. C. Shoot is just around the corner and some things need attention. If we are to have a raffle, we need good raffle items. Please find something worthwhile to donate to the club that would attract money in a raffle. There is a list of work to be done around the range in the clubhouse. Please see if there is a job you could do and complete it. Many trails need trimming and raking. Work parties are scheduled for Saturday, July 28 and Friday August 3, to prepare for the shoot.

A recent report I read about the schedule for the Rifle Range clean up declared that work would begin in mid-August and be finished by the end of October, I'll believe it when I see it.

Jim Langell had such a good turn out for his bow making class that he has decided to offer a Bowhunter Education Class next month (see the attached flyer). Please get in touch with Jim if you plan to attend.

It was on this day in 1789 that the Paris mob stormed the Bastille and started the French Revolution. Paris and all of France would soon feel the heat of this event as it was going to change all of world history. No world shaking changes are coming at the archery range but we sure could use some heat here in cool Pacifica.

C'est la vie!

***Jack Rauch***

*(submitted July 14, 2007)*

**1,000,000 B.C.**

It's already that time of year again, One Million B.C. is just over two weeks away. Preparations have been underway and the range is starting to take shape but we're not out of the woods just yet. We have an NFAA inspection coming up soon and SFA is once again aiming at attaining a 5 star rating. This rating is important as it is the highest certification given by the NFAA and shared by very few clubs in California. It would be a prestigious honor to be able to bill ourselves as a 5 star range. The inspection will come just days before our B.C. shoot so we're asking our members for as much assistance as possible to make this five star rating happen. There are still a few bow racks that need repair, some trails that need clearing, and some new trash buckets to be placed at the bow racks and we'll be on our way. Between now and B.C. you'll have a couple opportunities to help pitch in: there will be a special work party on Saturday July 28th and another on Friday August 3rd. We'll need plenty of help both days so plan ahead and come on down.

See you at the range.

***Josh***

## **MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE B.C.**

ALL SFA Members are welcome to shoot! Please keep in mind we still need members to volunteer to set-up and take down targets and to assist in running the shoot including managing parking, registration, working the kitchen (we will be serving breakfast and lunch both days), manning the snack stands, etc. Target set up will be on Friday, August 3rd so please come and lend a hand if you're available.

**SHOOT 1 OR 2 DAYS!** If you can't make it both days, come and join the fun on Saturday and shoot 42 targets OR Sunday to shoot 21 targets! Complete details and entry fees on the flier. Note: you must shoot both days in order to compete for an award.

**PRE-REGISTER:** Send in your pre-registration form and avoid the hassle the morning of the shoot. A \$5.00 discount is offered to all 2-day shooters for pre-registering. Completed form and payment must be in the P.O. Box no later than 5 pm on Wednesday, August 1st. Registration volunteers will not be responsible for lost or late payments. SFA Members who help set up on Friday can pre-register that afternoon and still save \$5.00. All others including campers and early birds can avoid Saturday lines by registering on Friday, but no discount will be given. Please see me.

We still need **DONATIONS** from all members for the upcoming BC Raffle. Feel free to drop your items off at the clubhouse or bring it the morning of the shoot. Please call or email me if you have any questions. [*All officer and board member contact info is provided at the end of each and every edition of the "Arrow".*]

***Tricia Porter***

## **SALADS, WE NEED SALADS**

At the last shoot having the donated salads as our side dishes worked very well - the shooters really really enjoyed them and it really helps us make more \$ on the kitchen. Lots of compliments to the chefs. So, we are appealing to the abundance of good cooks in our club and asking for donated salads for the two-day B.C. shoot. Contact Jeanine Hamack (650-359-5717) if you can contribute a salad so she can coordinate who is bringing how much of what.

As always, help is much needed in the kitchen. Having the same people work all the time is a little unfair because now that the shoot is opened to club members, everyone wants to shoot. But, the "old reliables" give up the shoot so the kitchen is staffed and all the other work that needs doing gets done. It would be nice if a few more non-shooters could help (even for a couple of hours, to clean up breakfast and get lunch set up, etc.) so that those "old reliables" might be able to enjoy the fruits of their labors as well.

## FROM SAN DIEGO TO REDDING AND ALL POINTS IN-BETWEEN

*(Editor's Note: Jim provided this article (and the photo on the next page) a few months ago, but due to technical difficulties, I couldn't access the text. Can you guess what Jim does when he's not at the range?)*

Hi All. Some of us have been shooting at various shoots around the State and if you haven't had the chance to get out there yet this year, look for a shoot close by and GO! April 18th found Josh Porter and I at **Yuba-Sutter Bowmen** (eastside of Beale AFB), a long drive but a good shoot. We took home a 2nd & 3rd (darn you Frank). March 3-4 found Cathy and me at **Woodlake Antelope Archers** in Woodlake (by Visalia) where we collected two 1st place mugs, wearing our SF Archers shirts of course! On the 11th of March we were **home** for our club 3-D combo which drew over 50 shooters and has to be one of the best open **Club** formats we've had for quite a while. March 18 went solo to **Yolo**, too bad some of the others who usually go to this one didn't, probably had the best weather there I've seen in years. March 23-27, **Rinehart 100**. Two days of 100 Rinehart custom targets. This was a blast to shoot but, sure wouldn't want to do the work to set up and tear down this one. Our President, Jack Rauch and his wife Nancy and Cathy and I went all the way to Escondido for this one. We had a great time and made a good trip of it by going to the San Diego Zoo on Monday after the shoot and the Wild Animal Park (Jim & Cathy) or Guggenheim Museum (Jack & Nancy) on Tuesday. If you ever get the chance to go to a R100 GO! April 1, John & Darlene Flynn and I went to **Salinas Bowmen** for their Island Shoot (still trying to figure out why it is called the Island Shoot as I never saw an island). SF Archers swept the field with John claiming 1st in longbow, Darlene 1st in longbow and I got first in recurve. April 7th, Josh P, Sean Marchetti, Bobby Rathman (BHU) and I went to the **Lodi Traditional Rendezvous**. Tough layout but a lot of fun and as usual Josh kicked everybody's behind and got 1st in recurve with the high score of the shoot (3rd for me in selfbow). April 14-15 **Chamberlain Ranch** in Santa Ynez Valley (about an hour and a half South of San Luis Obispo). The Marchetti family (Sean, Norma, Nico and Gia) and Cathy and I were here for a traditional shoot on a private ranch and once again, gorgeous weather this year. Nico and Gia both won awards in their divisions and Cathy took 2nd in recurve (man she shot good that weekend) I got my tail kicked. April 22 **SFA Trad Shoot**- Great turnout even though the weather had been threatening. We had 100+ shooters and a JUG SHOOT at the end of the shoot that had everybody hootin' and hollerin'. April 29 Cathy & I and our daughter Jennifer & her boyfriend Jiles went to **Sonoma Bowmen's** shoot at Rancho Neblina in Petaluma. Jennifer, Cathy and I all placed). May 3-6 Jim Long, Dennis Rainey, Donnie & Heath Connell and I went to the **NFAA 3-D Nationals and Trail Shoot** in Redding. This year the format was changed to 3 days instead of 2 and instead of starting at 8 am and getting off the range at 6 pm on Saturday we were of the range before 2 pm every day. Everyone seemed to move faster overall because you weren't faced with a 10-hour day on the range. Some of the BEST shooters in the nation are at this shoot and in some categories finishing in the top 15 is VERY hard. That being said, our own Jim Long finished 3rd in a field of almost 150 shooters (BHFS-A). The man was a machine all weekend and earned every bit of it. I however, fell into one of Charlie Heimsoth's famous quotes "You can't win if you don't show up". There is a very poor turnout for traditional shooters at this competition so I ended up with the **National Championship(!)** in longbow. As Charlie would say "they must have been scared" - yeah right ;-). As you can see there are lots of shoots and more are still coming, so try to get out and go to a couple or more and support the clubs that are always supporting us. Who knows you might even HAVE FUN!

*Jim Robison, Past President*



## **BOWHUNTER EDUCATION CLASS COMING IN AUGUST**

Get your Bowhunter Certification through the International Bowhunter Education Program (IBEP) instructed by SFA member and veteran bowhunter Jim Langell. This program was created by the National Bowhunter Education Foundation (NBEF) to promote responsible bowhunting practices through education.

The class will be held in two parts, the first being on Friday, August 10th between 7 pm - 10 pm and will conclude with an all-day session on Sunday, August 12th starting at 8 am and ending at 4 pm.

Please see the flier for complete details and registration information.



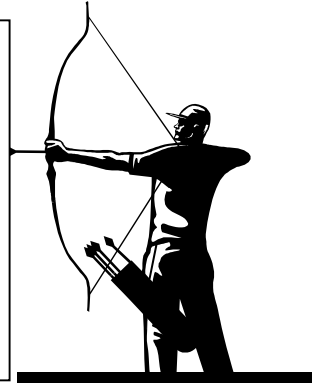
COURSE now scheduled at  
**San Francisco Archers**

*International*  
**BowHunter**  
Education Program

Located at the SFA clubhouse on

FRIDAY - August 10<sup>th</sup>      7 PM - 10 PM  
SUNDAY - August 12<sup>th</sup>      8 AM - 4 PM

**Certified Instructor: Jim Langell**



The ultimate goal of the IBEP is to provide bowhunters, both experienced and new, with the basic fundamentals of good, safe bowhunting while maintaining the highest ethical standards in the sport. The immediate objective is to instill in all bowhunters a responsible attitude and to adopt and follow acceptable behavior towards people, wildlife and the environment in which they hunt.

- Be a **CERTIFIED** Bowhunter. This class is currently required to bowhunt in 16 states and many foreign countries and the number is growing.
- Learn bowhunter responsibilities & proper bowhunting equipment.
- SAFETY & current Game laws
- Wildlife Conservation
- Sources of equipment & Shooting instructions
- Survival & First Aide
- Bowhunting Practice, Techniques & Methods
- Scouting for game
- Harvesting game & anatomy
- Animal recovery & proper care of meat
- Proper tree stand placement
- Certified by the State of California Fish and Game Department
- Must attend both days to obtain certification

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**REGISTRATION Required by August 8<sup>th</sup>**

\$20.00 fee due @ the beginning of class on Friday

**REGISTER** by phone at **650-759-5847** (leave a message) **OR** email: [treasurer@sfarchers.com](mailto:treasurer@sfarchers.com)

Please provide: **Name, Contact Number and/or Email**

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## CALENDAR

July 25, Wednesday	<b>SFA 3-D Shoot</b> , 14 unmarked targets+dinner
July 28, Saturday	<b>Special B.C. Work Party</b> , 9:00 a.m.
August 1, Wednesday	<b>SFA 3-D Shoot</b> , 14 unmarked targets+dinner
August 3, Friday	<b>Special B.C. Work Party</b> , 9:00 a.m. - until done
August 4-5, Saturday-Sunday	<b>1,000,000 B.C. Shoot at SFA</b> (see flyer)
August 6, Monday	<b>Board Meeting</b> , 7:00 p.m.
August 8, Wednesday	<b>SFA 3-D Shoot</b> , 14 unmarked targets+dinner
August 11, Saturday	<b>Work Party</b> , 9:00 a.m.
August 12, Sunday	<b>Club Shoot</b> , regulation NFAA round - get those scores in for the club championship
August 15, Wednesday	<b>LAST SFA 3-D Shoot</b> , 14 unmarked targets+dinner
August 19, Sunday	<b>Bowhunters Unlimited: Primitive Shoot</b>
August 19, Sunday	<b>SFA Outreach Program</b> - we need your help, come out and lend a hand
September (tbd)	<b>Board Meeting</b> , 7:00 p.m.
September 8, Saturday	<b>Work Party</b> , 9:00 a.m.
September 9, Sunday	<b>LAST 3-D Club Shoot</b>
September 9, Sunday	<b>CBH/SAA State Target Championships</b> - 900 (see flyer)
September 15, Saturday	<b>Bowhunters Unlimited: Kahlua Luau Shoot</b>
September 16, Sunday	<b>Diablo Bowmen Red Devil 42 target 3-D</b> , Clayton, 916-685-4640
September 23, Sunday	<b>Briones Bear Creek Open</b> , Orinda, 925-933-2811
September 29-30, Saturday-Sunday	<b>Traditional Archers of California (TAC) shoot</b> (Rancho Neblina)